

OKLAHOMA DISTRICT LWML BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING
JUNE 26, 2010
ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH, ENID, OK

The Board of Directors of the Oklahoma District Lutheran Women's Missionary League met at St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Enid, OK on June 26, 2010 at 9:00 am.

President Bev England called the meeting to order in the name of God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Spirit. She welcomed all the new faces, and asked everyone to introduce herself and tell what position she holds. She introduced the guests who were there as representatives of each Zone to pick up the Bible Study to be used at the upcoming Fall Fests. President Bev asked members to share cares, concerns and celebrations. Marilyn Alsip is back from attending her father's funeral and is getting stronger every day from her back surgery. Esther Bersche fell and broke her arm. President Bev's mom is thriving, and Bev is going on a trip to Rome. A prayer is requested for the seven women going to Latvia in July and also for Audrey Eggers and others going to China in July. Celebrations reported are: Betty Reichert has a new grandbaby and more coming, Grace Peterson's granddaughter is getting married, Carolyn and Jim Love are celebrating a 50th Wedding Anniversary, Rev. Eric Van Scharrel was installed as Pastor at Christ the Redeemer in Tulsa, Joyce Von Dielingen and her husband are celebrating a 40th Wedding Anniversary. Pastor Van Scharrel gave a blessing for and installed Susan Brunkow as Vice-President of Communications. Pastor Schroeder led the opening Bible Study based on "Dream TEAM, What Are You Dreaming?"

Board Members and guests present were:

Bev England, President, MMV
Joyce Von Dielingen, V.P. Christian Life
Susan Brunkow, V.P. Communications
Linda Lee Kremeier, V.P. Human Care
Esther Bersche, Rec. Secretary
June Wadley, Corr. Secretary
Katie Schroeder, Treasurer
Lanece Young, Fin. Secretary
Rev. Dwayne Schroeder, SR. Counselor
Rev. Eric Van Scharrel, JR. Counselor
Betty Reichert, Dist. Editor
Krystine Gibson, Structure, Spec. Gifts,
Parliamentarian
Carolyn Love, V.P. Servant Resources

Marguerite Christman, Recycling, Meeting Mgr.
Sharon Bomhoff, Kingfisher Zone Pres.
Shari Stepanek, Oklahoma City Zone Pres.
Beth Schoeling, Enid Zone Pres.
Grace Peterson, Miami Zone Pres.
Leola Thiemann, Ponca City Zone Pres.
Carol Fruehling, Tulsa Zone Pres.
Gloria Bozarth, Peoria Bus Chairman, Bible
Study Coordinator, Oklahoma City Zone
Lois Henderson, Kingfisher Zone
Joyce Watson, V.P. Panhandle Zone
Mary Ames, V.P. Tulsa Zone
Linda Allen, V.P. Miami Zone
Debbie Hooper, V.P. Ponca City Zone
Helen McDonald, Sec. /Treas., Lawton Zone

Business Meeting

RECORDING SECRETARY – Esther Bersche

Esther presented the minutes of the March 6, 2010 Board of Directors meeting. There being no additions or corrections, Esther moved that the minutes be adopted. Beth Schoeling seconded. Motion passed. Next the Pre-Convention Board of Directors meeting of April 15, 2010 and the minutes of the 51st Convention of the OK District LWML on April 16-17, 2010 were presented. Corrections noted to the Convention minutes were: p.1 par.3 line 4, correct spelling is Kuhlmann and par. 8 line 2, capitalize representative; correct spelling is Thiemann on p. 2, par. 11 line 5 and on p.10. par. 2 line 1. Esther moved the minutes be passed as corrected. Linda Lee Kremeier seconded. The motion passed. The Zone Presidents will disperse the Convention minutes to the society presidents.

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY – June Wadley

FINANCIAL SECRETARY – Lanece Young

Lanece gave the Quarterly Report for March 1, 2010 - June 26, 2010. Total receipts from each zone were: Enid - \$1635.85; Kingfisher - \$2202.74; Lawton - \$453.70; Miami - \$2136.36; Oklahoma City - \$22,124.85; Panhandle - \$1369.96; Ponca City - \$1953.28; Tulsa - \$1163.47. Total Receipts were \$33,040.21. The motion to accept the report was made by Sharon Bomhoff and seconded by Carol Freuhling. The motion passed. The Oklahoma City amount includes reimbursements from the Convention.

TREASURER – Katie Schroeder

Katie gave the treasurer's report for the period of March 1, 2010 – June 2, 2010. Balance on March 1 - \$23,779.79. The unrestricted funds were - \$14,033.46. The restricted cartridge funds were - \$9746.33. Total Receipts were \$25,936.20. Total Disbursements were \$16,784.35. Balance on hand on June 2, 2010 was \$32,931.64. Restricted cartridge funds were still \$9746.33. Unrestricted General Funds are \$23,185.31. Katie cautioned that there are some bills yet to pay. She also reminded the Board that the Convention account has not been closed. Beth Schoeling moved to accept the treasurer's report. Susan Brunkow seconded. The motion passed.

Officer and Committee Reports

PRESIDENT – Bev England

President Bev emphasized that it had been a joy and a pleasure working with the officers who had gone off the Board, the officers who are returning and the new officers coming on the Board. She thanked everyone for being part of the "Dream Team". She said there were several requests made at Convention for Blitzes. Each one at the table was asked to mention one thing she or he had seen on the OKLWML web site. Pres. Bev reported on the upcoming Leader Training Summit to be August 21 at Good Shepherd in Midwest City beginning at 9 am. Linda Reiser will be the speaker. Three from each zone should attend—President, PR Rep. and one other. All OK Dist. Officers and Committee Chairs should also attend. We will all learn to be better leaders.

Pres. Bev's schedule from the Convention forward was:

- Hosted the pre-convention BOD Dinner at *A Spot of Tea*- April 15th
- Conducted Oklahoma District LWML Convention, April 16th -17th
- Wrote 90+ post convention thank you notes with the help of some great LWML women
- Made many calls along with VPs to form committees
- Co-chaired and attended 'Summer Nights' social hosted by Grace LWML
- Conferred with Susan Brunkow and Sarah Ross on the Oklahoma Web site
- Worked with *Voice of Service* Editor Betty Reichert on templates and other items for BOD Meeting
- Had telephone conferences with Marguerite Christman, Meeting Manager, regarding convention sites for 2012
- Conferred with Joyce Von Dielingen and zone presidents on Fall Fests
- Authored 'Presidential Passages' article for upcoming *Voice of Service*
- Assisted VPs in their new positions and duties
- Attended Installation Service for Pastor Eric Van Scharrel at Christ the Redeemer, Tulsa- June 13th
- Met with Lori Steele on Mission Grants requests - June 22nd
- Attended Leader Training Summit planning meeting with MMVs – June 23rd
- Prepared Call to Meeting, Agenda and Presidential report for this meeting

PASTORAL COUNSELORS - Pastors Schroeder and Van Scharrel

Pastor Schroeder reported that he had been working with the Christian Life committee and preparing the Bible Study for the Fall Fests. He has also prepared the article for the *Voice of Service*. Pastor Van Scharrel said he had not done anything yet, and Pres. Bev reminded him that his first official act had been to bless and to install Susan. She also thanked both Pastors for all they do.

VP CHRISTIAN LIFE - Joyce Von Dielingen

Joyce reported that the Christian Life committee has been working hard and fast to get the Fall Fest materials ready for print. The committee will assign an individual to write an article for each quarterly publication of the *Voice of Service* "Food for the Soul". They will be looking for ways to encourage prayer among the ladies in our District. Other ideas they will be working on are suggestions for the Spring Flings, doing a "Thought for the Week" using Mustard Seeds and other input for a weekly update on the web site

VP COMMUNICATIONS – Susan Brunkow

Susan reported that she had updated the New Pastor letter and packet, submitted *The Lutheran Witness* article, worked with Web Servant to update OK District LWML web site, sent teen LWML article to National office and assisted Special Gifts Coordinator transition to LCEF. Carol Fruehling reported total sales from the LWML Store at Convention were \$2947.36, and centerpiece sales were \$190. The best sellers were umbrellas and clothing. Judy Roggow, Dist. Planner, reported that she attended the BOD Dinner Meeting on April 15, helped exhibitors set up and disassemble booths for Convention and sent thank you notes to exhibitors after Convention. Editor Betty Reichert assisted with putting Convention pictures on LWML Flickr account; worked on the Fall Fests logo; did design work on VP templates for BOD reports, on Fall Fest proposed agenda and on Teen Gathering flyer; requested articles and information for the summer *Voice of Service* and is writing the summer *Voice of Service*. Acting Public Relations Director, Lori Steele, authored monthly articles for the OK Dist. insert in *The Lutheran Witness*, participated in "LWML Blitzes", worked with newly appointed Zone PR representatives to promote the upcoming Peoria Convention and assisted Convention Planner and President Bev with OK Dist. Convention. Marci Beikman, AV Coordinator, helped with Audio Visuals at the OK Dist. LWML Convention. LWML Web Servant, Sarah Ross, reports new pages on the web since March 2010 are the Presidential Passage, a spot for each zone and Special Gifts. Regular updates will be: Dist. Convention registration, information and photos, Spring *Voice of Service*, music on the homepage, Fall Fest dates and locations, Peoria Convention information, 2010-2012 Mission Grants, Leadership Roster and Teen Gathering flier and pictures. Pres. Bev reported that the next BOD packet would be on the web, and each Board member would need to print off her own copy and bring it to the meeting. Also, you will be able to burn a CD of the grants off the web site. She challenged everyone to choose to go out into the world and do good things and set the world on fire for Christ.

VP GOSPEL OUTREACH – Lori Steele

Nelly Castaneda, Heart to Heart Chair, reported they had a tamale sale and a garage sale. The ladies from Bethany had come to Cristo Rey to do Zumba with them. They danced all types of Latin music and had a good work out. They are still working on getting the health kits to El Paso. Stephen Heimer, son of Pastor Heimer, will be passing through Oklahoma City in July and will pick up the kits and Bibles and take them back to be passed out to the ten missions in Juarez, Mexico. Pres. Bev asked Linda Lee Kremer to read the grant requests from Lori Steele. The following grants were requested and voted on. The motion was made by Carolyn Love and seconded by Shari Stepanek to approve and fund the following grant requests:

- Partial \$5000--Concordia Seminary Food Bank
- Full \$2525--Chapel Roof in Africa
- Full \$2525--School Supplies and Equipment in Guinea, Africa
- Full \$5000--Water Purification Systems, Guatemala
- Full \$2550—M.O.S.T Ministries Water Outreach Project

The motion passed, and they are to be paid as funds are available.

During discussion before voting, Shari Stepanek pointed out that the M.O.S.T. request for \$2570 was for more than what was reported in the Convention minutes, so the amount was changed to the \$2550 as voted on at Convention. Katie Schroeder reported that the total amount requested was \$17,600. Pres. Bev stressed that it would be approved to be paid as funds are available. Marguerite Christman reminded the group that the money for the Professional Church Workers Scholarship Fund will need to be dispersed to the college students this fall. Pres. Bev explained that this grant is given around the first of October to help the students with their tuition. The motion was made by Susan Brunkow and seconded by Joyce Von Dielingen:

To disperse 1/4 (\$3000) for the OK District Church Workers Scholarship Fund as funds are available.

The motion passed.

Betty Reichert wanted clarification that as soon as payment for a grant is approved by the Board, it will be shown in the *Voice of Service* as paid. Pres. Bev said that was correct, even though they would be paid as funds are available.

VP HUMAN CARE - Linda Lee Kremeier

Linda Lee reported that we made over 2100 cards for our seminarians and missionaries to use, wrapped over 1000 books to be divided between Kendall-Whittier School in Tulsa and Putnam Heights School in Oklahoma City, marked one hundred-forty (140) Spanish Bibles, and assembled 40 bedroom/bathroom kits for distribution to the Mexican Mission. Gifts from the Heart Items collected and divided between The Children's Center, Oklahoma City and Infant Crisis Services, Inc., Oklahoma City were: 107 pkgs. of diapers (4494), 80 pkg. of baby wipes, 55 pacifiers, 52 training cups, 138 pkgs. of socks, 31 boxes of Kleenex, 14 pkg. of T-shirts and 20 miscellaneous items. The delivery dates for World Relief are: Wichita, KS—Tues. Oct. 5, 9:00 am to noon; Hays, KS—Wed. Oct. 6, 9:00 am to noon; Salina, KS—Thurs. Oct. 7, 9:00 am to noon; Topeka, KS—Fri. Oct. 8, 9:00 am to noon. Linda Lee has contacted each Zone about two going together to transport their items. She reviewed the rules for packing the LWR boxes. Thrivent funds may be available to help with transportation costs. Forms for LWR are on the web site. Zone presidents should remit a zone LWR form to Linda Lee. She has contacted Rev. David Nehrenz who requested five Spiritual Kits at Convention. They have not been delivered yet. Pres. Bev urged that these kits be delivered quickly. A three or four day spring mission trip, by bus, to Mission Center in Mapleton, IA is being considered. Linda thanked Thelma Travis and Gloria Bozarth for accepting the Human Care Committee positions.

VP SERVANT RESOURCES – Carolyn Love

Thirteen requests for an LWML Blitz were received at Convention. President Bev, Marguerite Christman, Patti Ross and Betty Reichert are planning the Leadership Summit in August. Krystine Gibson reported that the updated bylaws with approved amendments had been mailed to National and e-mailed to the District website. She contacted the five remaining Zone Presidents regarding the updating of their Zone bylaws at the upcoming Fall Fests. Prior to Convention Lisa Graf, Lanece Young, and Krystine Gibson wrote guidelines for credit card usage with advice from Eloise Kuhlmann. Krystine reported the Special Gifts Fund had a 12/31/09 balance of \$32,046.23. Deposits on 3/01/10 were: memorials of \$185 and cartridge fund of \$319.13. Interest was \$169.12. Balance on 3/31/10 was \$32,719.48. The current LCEF interest rate is 2.125%. Memorials of \$95 have been received since 3/31/10. Krystine added that on June 21, \$25 was received in memorials. Twenty-seven young women under the age of 35 attended Convention in April. Helping Susan Brunkow and Katy Gifford contact all the women and carry out the activities were several volunteers: Joanna Wescoatt, Tammy Space, LaDonna Haag, Elizabeth Whitfield, Shari Stepanek, Beth Schoeling and Betsy Allie. Contacts began, with 70 names, by personal phone calls; postcards and e-mails with registration information; child care information; YWR activities, and a map. A YWR Friday night social and special luncheons were opportunities to get acquainted along with interest sessions with Katy. Packing Gifts from the Heart was a way of serving others! The climax was leading the Convention body in the LWML Pledge. In the recycling fund, \$1633.20 was received this quarter. Four hundred eight dollars and thirty cents (\$408.30) was given to mites. One hundred sixty-three dollars and thirty-two cents (\$163.32) was given to OK Dist. Special Gifts. The amount to be placed into the OK Dist. Recycling Fund is \$1061.58. Teen Gatherings are planned for June 27 at Faith Lutheran in Owasso and in Oklahoma City on Aug. 1. A "teen talk" is on the web page showing different events in which the teens have been involved.

Zone President Reports

ENID - Beth Schoeling—Beth reported that several women from the Enid Zone had attended Convention. They are preparing for the Fall Fest to be held Sept. 18 at St. John's, Covington. The speaker is Nancy West.

KINGFISHER - Sharon Bomhoff—Sharon reported that St. John's Ladies Aid in Okarche took a group trip to Wichita, KS in May to see the "Church Basement Ladies, Second Helping". For their last meeting, they went to El Reno and ate at The Trolley Shop. St. John's Lamplighters in Okarche are preparing for their 30th Anniversary celebration of the Lamplighters on the 3rd Sunday in September to coincide with the Mission Festival. The Fall Fest will be held in Okarche

on Saturday, Sept. 25, 2010. Emmanuel in Kingfisher hosted a birthday party at the Nursing Home for March birthdays. In April they gave the confirmands prayer boxes engraved with their name, date of Confirmation and their Confirmation verse. In May they made donations to missionaries. Mt. Calvary LWML meets quarterly. They have adopted a child in Africa for a year. The society supplies the "Portals of Prayer" for the congregation. Gifts and cards are sent to their ill members. Trinity in El Reno made donations to Rene Hord, missionary in Taiwan, to Karen and Paul Bollrath, Bible Translators in Texas, gave monetary gifts to confirmands in May, and collected food for the Dolores Sanders Mission Center in El Reno.

LAWTON - Kathie Gerdes—Lawton Zone donated towel sets for the servant project at Convention. Five congregations were represented at Convention and served as delegates, non delegates, tellers for elections, coordinator for a servant project, participants in a service project and sang in the choir. Their banner was designed by Brianna Neville and assembled by Patti Hanza, Trudie Kinder, Frieda Depe, Bonnie Nies and Alice Mayer of St. John's, Lawton. Darcy Cline and Gayle Anderson, St. John's, Lawton, are part of the Latvia mission team this summer. Support will also be given to Susan Smith, St. John's, Lawton, as she travels to China. All three women will be speakers at the Lawton Fall Fest to be held on Sept. 18 at Holy Cross, Lawton. Holy Cross, Lawton participates in a Lawton project called Family Promises which takes turns housing homeless families for a week at their church facility as well as providing necessities and extras, like toys for children. All societies are working on LWR projects.

MIAMI - Grace Peterson—Grace served on the Minutes Review Team at Convention. Linda Allen, Zone VP, will serve as chairman of the nominating committee for officers to be elected at the 2010 Fall Fest. Cherie Meislahn has been contacted for Adair to host the Miami Zone Fall Fest to be held on Sept. 11 at Bethlehem, Adair. Miami ladies will be leading the Bible Study, and Nancy West will be the Mission speaker.

OKLAHOMA CITY - Shari Stepanek—Spring brought new society officers, and Shari has been in contact with the groups in the Oklahoma City Zone to introduce herself to the new Society Presidents and to gather information on their new officers. She welcomes new presidents: Ella Louise Hodde, Jill Fischaber, Judy Pendley, Amy Anderson, Sandy Cox, Lori Russell, Bettye Kochendower, Shawna Roggow and Selma Frazier. Current presidents who will continue to serve their societies are: Angie Allen, Delia Hansen, Nancy West, Nelly Castaneda, Elizabeth Amendt and Deb Johnson. Lori Roberts from Redeemer, Shawnee, has agreed to be their contact person and is in the process of learning what LWML is all about. The mission speakers at their Fall Fest will be Elizabeth Amendt and Julie Cable sharing their experiences on the Latvia trip.

PANHANDLE - Jarie Coggins—no report

PONCA CITY - Leola Thiemann—Six out of the seven societies do not meet in the summer. Five societies held elections this spring. The Ponca City Zone Fall Fest will be held at Zion; Guthrie on Saturday, Sept. 25 from 8:30 am to 2:00 pm. Mission speaker will be Audrey Eggers, speaking on her continuing ministry as an ESL teacher in China. She will also display items from her trips as the table directions. To finalize plans for the Fall Fest, the Ponca City Zone Executive Board will meet at Zion, Guthrie, on Saturday, July 24 from 9:00 – 10:30 am. Leola will meet with the Zion, Guthrie society to go over its responsibility as the host society for the Fall Fest.

TULSA - Carol Fruehling—Though the Tulsa Zone Board and Society Presidents did not meet this quarter, the societies have been active by attending Convention, collecting LWR supplies and making quilts. Carol challenged each society to increase its donations of quilts and school and health kits because the earthquakes in Haiti and Chili have depleted the LWR warehouses. Zone collections will be at Grace Lutheran Church, Tulsa, on Oct. 4, 2010. The Tulsa Zone Fall Fest will be held at Our Savior Lutheran Church, Tulsa, on Sept. 19, 2010. Patti Ross will be the mission speaker and report on the LWML Mission Trip to Latvia. Changes to the By-Laws and election of officers will be voted on. The next Zone meeting will be to work on responsibilities and agenda for the Fall Fests.

Action and Discussion Items

- Fall Fests—Peoria delegates—Try to send Zone President or other officer who hasn't gone as a delegate. They must have e-mail. Send offerings to District Mites. PR reps will run the LWML stores. Tubs will be received at the Aug. 21 meeting. Expenses are taken out of registration monies. Keep expenses low.
- Convention Wrap-Up—Carolyn Love—Total Registration - 355; Total Participants - 320; Young Women -17; Teens - 11; Pastors - 19; Mission Grant Goal - \$88,000; Offering: Worship Service - \$2813.96, Sat. \$3005.39. Total offering to go toward Mission Grants - \$5819.35
 - Discussion on funds left over after expenses from Convention—with a few bills left to pay, over \$7000 is left in the Convention fund. This is because of all the donations from societies, individuals and Thrivent. The motion was made by Carolyn Love and seconded by Carol Fruehling:
 - After all final bills are paid; ½ of the left over funds will go to mites, and ½ will go to the delegate fund. The motion passed.
 - 25 Pastors participated in Opening Service of Convention
 - 17 exhibits plus LWML store, OK District - 6
 - Evaluation Briefs - Highlights were Gary Thies, the Worship Service with Pastors Schroeder and Henke, the choir and Gwen Mindemann signing "The Lord's Prayer", and all the speakers
 - Survey to see future OK District conventions in Oklahoma City - 85 yes; 37 no
 - Those interested in taking a bus to Peoria - 65 yes, 45 no
- District Leader Training Summit—Betty Reichert—August 21, 2010 at Good Shepherd, Midwest City, OK; Linda Reiser is the presenter; each MMV will present different parts.
 - Theme is "I Am the Face of LWML". Women will know that they are the LWML. It will be based on 2 Cor. 3:18—"And we, who with unveiled faces all reflect the Lord's glory, are being transformed into his likeness with ever-increasing glory, which comes from the Lord, who is the Spirit."
 - Encourage 3 people from each Zone to go, plus board members and committee members
 - Registration is at 8:30 am.

At this time, Pres. Bev dismissed Joyce Von Dielingen, Pastor Schroeder and the Bible study leaders.

- Peoria Bus Information and Sign-up—Gloria Bozarth reported that she is still researching the bus and housing possibilities. It will take 2 days, so overnight housing will be needed. Red Carpet will provide 2 buses for 114 people. The cost would be \$12,235 or \$108 per person not including lodging or meals. Discussion continued on possible sites for lodging. Side trips to Precious Moments or the Seminary may be arranged. Gloria wants to contact Jane Sherdt for her help.
- Meeting Dates in 2010 - Aug. 21 Leader Training Summit - Midwest City
 - Oct. 1 & 2 Visioning and BOD - St. Paul's, Enid—It is overnight and begins with supper. Everyone is required of everyone. Zone Presidents, PR Reps and Zone committees. We will do our visioning and set programs for the biennium.
- Proposed 2011 meetings - March 5, July 9, October 7 & 8 (retreat and BOD)
- Proposed District Retreat Location—Marguerite Christman gave the information on the possibility of the Fall Retreat being held at Canyon Camp and Conference Center, 31600 Camp Road, Route 2, Box 29, Hinton, OK 73047. She handed out a sheet containing information on the facility for each to study. The camp is owned and managed by the United Methodist Church. It is available for booking dates to non-Methodist members after July 1 for the following year. It is located approximately 50 miles west of Oklahoma City, 8 miles south of I-40 taking the Methodist Road exit. They have a full time staff of 10 (15 in the summer months). Minimum cost --\$28.33 (room) + 19.50 (food) = \$47.83 per person staying three per room. We would use the Hardt Lodge which has lodging for 90 with 3 to a room or 120 with 4 to a room. We will need to make a \$900 deposit. Discussion continued. Voting on the motion will be after the rest of the Board returns. After all members were present, Marguerite recapped the information. The motion was made by Shari Stepanek and seconded by Linda Lee Kremer:
 - To book the Canyon Camp and Conference Center for the Oklahoma District LWML Retreat on October 7 & 8, 2011. The motion passed.
- District LWML 2012 Convention location and date - April 13 & 14, 2012. Will come back to this topic.
- National LWML Officer Nominations—Susan Brunkow presented the following names: President—Kay Kreklau; VP Servant Resource—Carolyn Blum; VP Intentional Ministries—Dianne Diekmann, Darlyne Burns, Lois Ford;

Nominating Committee—Marge Bruning, Bev England, Karen Riehling, Monique Wolske. The motion was made by Susan Brunkow and seconded by Carol Fruehling:

To nominate the following list of names for National offices: President—Kay Kreklau; VP Servant Resource—Carolyn Blum; VP Intentional Ministries—Dianne Diekmann, Darlyne Burns, Lois Ford; Nominating Committee—Marge Bruning, Bev England, Karen Riehling, Monique Wolske. Discussion continued.

The motion was made by Sharon Bomhoff and seconded by Beth Schoeling:

To amend the motion to remove the name of Darlyne Burns. The motion passed.

Voting continued on the amended motion. The motion passed.

- Mission Central trip in the spring of 2011 was tabled until Visioning Meeting.

Special Reports

ARCHIVIST/HISTORIAN - Marilyn Alsip—no report

MEETING MANAGER AND RECYCLING - Marguerite Christman—Marguerite asked that everyone update the information on the roster she sent around. She reported that she had finalized all activities concerning district convention site at Express Event Center, Oklahoma City, including hotels, meals, properties, etc.: confirmed all hotel rooms were accounted for at the two hotel sites, finalized payment for attendees at the pre-convention BOD dinner; finalized voucher payments with two caterers, assisted and reviewed the removal of the various properties brought into the Express Event Center, wrote thank you notes to the 26 men servers of the Friday night dinner, communicated with convention registrar to secure registration information, worked with convention host committee treasurer to get info for reports regarding income vs. expenses and developed a Summary Report dealing with convention expenses and income. She secured information to be presented at this meeting regarding possible sites of the 2012 OK District Convention and for the OK District Retreat in the fall of 2011, confirmed attendance and noon lunch with members of the BOD, Zone Bible study representatives, verified site arrangements at St. Paul's Lutheran Church for Saturday, June 26 for OK District LWML Board of Directors meeting.

Marguerite reported total collections of over \$58,000 in the recycling fund since we began. She reminded everyone to continue collecting and to pack at least 12-14 in a box.

ADDITIONAL BUSINESS

Communications department wants to purchase a year's subscription for \$50 to a religious clip art site on the web. The motion was made by Susan Brunkow and seconded by Katie Schroeder:

To purchase a one year's subscription for \$50 to a religious clip art site. The motion passed.

The motion was made by Katie Schroeder and seconded by Beth Schoeling:

That we pay for the air fare of \$411.90 for Linda Reiser and all the other expenses for the Leader Training Summit out of the recycling fund. The motion passed.

Pres. Bev then returned to finish the business of the location for the 2012 District Convention. Leola Thiemann said that Marguerite would present the possible sites for holding the 2012 District Convention which will be hosted by the Ponca City Zone on April 13 and 14, 2012. The three sites presented were: National Center for Employee Development Conference Center and Hotel in Norman, Express Center in Oklahoma City and Dominion House in Guthrie. Marguerite handed out a sheet with information on each site. She explained all the pros and cons of each site. The Board then broke into small groups to discuss the three sites. Each group then gave its recommendation. The majority recommendation was the NCED. After much discussion, the motion was made by Leola Thiemann and seconded by Esther Bersche:

That the BOD recommend to the Ponca City Zone Executive Committee that the 2012 District Convention be held at the National Center for Employee Development Conference Center and Hotel in Norman. The motion passed.

CLOSING DEVOTIONS - Susan Brunkow—Susan's closing devotions were based on Psalm 86:5 and Psalm 130: 3-4. "Begin with God, He is forgiving". We begin again and again with God because He is forgiving. She asked each of us to think about times when has God given me a do over, and to whom can I give a do over?

FINAL THOUGHTS

Marguerite Christman reminded everyone that we needed to vote on the date for the convention. The motion was made by Beth Schoeling and seconded by Leola Thiemann:

That the OK District Convention be held on April 13 and 14 of 2012. The motion passed.

June Wadley asked if everyone had gotten the directory and if anyone else needed stationery.

President Bev adjourned the meeting at 2:00 pm. Singing followed.

Esther Bersche, Oklahoma District Recording Secretary

RECAP OF ACTIONS TAKEN

1. The motion was made by Carolyn Love and seconded by Shari Stepanek to approve and fund the following grant requests:

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The motion was made by Sharon Bomhoff and seconded by Beth Schoeling:

To amend the motion to remove the name of Darlyne Burns. The motion passed.

Voting continued on amended motion. The motion passed.

6. The motion was made by Susan Brunkow and seconded by Katie Schroeder:

To purchase a one year subscription for \$50 to a religious clip art web site. The motion passed.

7. The motion was made by Katie Schroeder and seconded by Beth Schoeling:

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